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TO: DENR-DWR-Wetlands-Public Listserv

FROM: Karen Higgins, 401 & Buffer Permitting Unit

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RE: Proposed Bank Parcel Development Package in the Neuse River Basin

The purpose of this notice is outlined below.

I. Proposed Bank Parcel Development Package in the Neuse River Basin

Greene Environmental Services, LLC has submitted a purposed Bank Parcel Development Package (BPDP) for the LaGrange Phase II bank parcel, which is located in the Neuse River Basin outside of the Falls Lake Watershed (8-digit USGS HUC 03020202) located at the southwest intersection of NC 903 and Old Jason Road in Lenoir County, North Carolina. Restoration of riparian areas will generate approximately 2.97 acres (6,750.87 lbs) of Nitrogen nutrient offset credits. Restoration of Neuse riparian buffers will provide approximately 0.52 acres (22,651.20 ft²) of Neuse riparian buffer credits. Stormwater runoff from this site drains into a UT to Meeting House Branch, which drains into Meeting House Branch and then Bear Creek, a major tributary to the Neuse River.

An Umbrella Mitigation Banking Instrument for Greene Environmental Services, LLC was approved on October 3, 2008 for mitigation in the Neuse River Basin, excluding the Falls Watershed.

Nutrient offset credits generated at this proposed site can be used to satisfy nutrient offset requirements for development projects located within the 8-digit USGS HUC 03020202 of the Neuse River Basin. Neuse riparian buffer credits generated at this proposed bank site can be used to satisfy buffer mitigation requirements for impacts pursuant to 15A NCAC 02B .0295 within the Neuse River Basin. The Division of Water Resources (DWR) has no further comments on the proposed BPDP.

The purposed LaGrange Phase II Riparian Buffer & Nutrient Offset BPDP can be found online at http://portal.ncdenr.org/web/wq/swp/ws/401/publicnotices. Persons wishing to comment are invited to submit their comments in writing to Katie Merritt at (katie.merritt@ncdenr.gov or 1617 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1617). All comments received by DWR by close of business (5:00 p.m.) on November 24, 2014 will be considered during preparation and approval of the final BPDP. If you have any questions, please contact Katie Merritt at 919-807-6371.

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